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*Encl*  
The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Re: NATO Conference on Subversive Activities  
and Internal Security

Some days ago we were advised by the State Department that the Bureau had agreed to represent the United States on the NATO Committee on Subversive Activities and Internal Security. I believe that you are familiar with the general background and purposes of this Committee.

If it is agreeable to you, we would like to designate a representative to sit with your representative in the capacity of observer in order to follow the discussions of this Committee insofar as they relate to certain phases of our work abroad, particularly the positions taken by the various foreign security agencies with respect to combatting communism in their own countries. If agreeable to you, we would designate [redacted] [redacted] for the purposes indicated.

I want to make it quite clear that our representative will not be there for the purposes of participating in the discussion which as far as the United States is concerned will, I understand, be directed by your representative, but as an observer and to be of any possible help to your representative if he so requests it.

Faithfully yours,

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
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